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RE: State HIE Cooperative Agreement

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Dear Mr. Stevens:

The Governor's Office of Electronic Health Information is pleased to provide you with the Commonwealth of Kentucky's State HIE Strategic and Operational Plan. This plan addresses the requirements of the Office of the National Coordinator (ONC) as specified in the Funding Opportunity Announcement, Grantee Requirements issued by the ONC in March 2010, and the July 6, 2010 Program Information Notice.

The Plan, which was developed with input from the Kentucky Health Information Exchange Coordinating Council, reflects the work of a diverse group of stakeholders and represents a strong public-private partnership committed to advancing the vision for health information technology that will lead to improved health outcomes, quality of care, safety and efficacy, and population health. The Plan will serve as a roadmap leading to the development of a robust technical and business infrastructure to support statewide health information exchange and connectivity to the National Health Information Network. It also positions the Commonwealth to meet the immediate challenge of ensuring that eligible providers have options to use in achieving stage 1 meaningful use.

Thank you for the opportunity to partner with the ONC. As always, please do not hesitate to contact us if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Executive Director

